

REMARKS

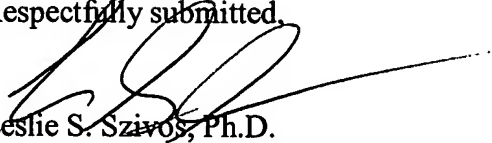
Favorable consideration and allowance of the claims of the present application, as presently filed, are respectfully requested.

In this preliminary amendment, applicants have canceled original Claims 1-13 herein since those claims are the subject matter of parent application U.S. Serial No. 10/250,046 filed May 30, 2003 and have amended the specification to include information regarding the parent application.

In view of the cancellation of Claims 1-13, applicants have enclosed herewith an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(b)(1) correcting the inventorship in this application. In particular, the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(b)(1) deletes Jochen Beitner and Porshia Wrschka, leaving only Naim Moumen as the named inventor for the subject matter set forth in Claims 14-20. The Amendment to request correction of inventorship is signed by a party set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.33(b) and a processing fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) has been authorized in the attached Amendment to be charged to applicants' Deposit Account.

Wherefore, consideration and allowance of the claims of the present application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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